

December 4, 2008

Interstate 10 Construction Update 99th Avenue Overnight Closures Next Week

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Upcoming Restrictions

This week, construction progress continues with scheduled restrictions as part of the Interstate 10 Improvement Project. Drivers can expect overnight lane restrictions on I-10 at 99th Avenue next week as well as overnight closures underneath I-10 at 99th Avenue. Next week, I-10 traffic will be re-routed to the new median lanes near 107th Avenue to allow for continuing bridge work.

Project Information

The I-10 Improvement Project will provide additional lanes between Verrado Way and Loop 101 (Agua Fria Freeway). The freeway expansion includes widening the existing median and adding outside lanes to improve east/west traffic flow in the West Valley.

This project is one of the first elements of the *Regional Transportation Plan* and is funded through a voter-approved sales tax to improve and construct new transportation options in Maricopa County through 2025. More information on the *Regional Transportation Plan* is available at www.ValleyFreeways.com.

ADOT strives to inform the public about planned freeway restrictions. As with any complex construction project, there is a possibility that severe weather or other unforeseen difficulties may result in unscheduled closures or restrictions.

Please visit the ADOT <u>Web site</u> for the most current information about planned and ongoing I-10 restrictions.

Here's an overview of scheduled restrictions on I-10 in the West Valley:

99th Avenue

Tuesday, Dec. 9 – Wednesday, Dec. 10

9 p.m. – 4 a.m.

99th Avenue underneath I-10 will be closed for bridge work overnight on Tuesday, Dec. 9 from 9 p.m. until 4 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10. On- and off-ramps and business access will remain open. Motorists are encouraged to use adjacent I-10 interchanges. View Map

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Tuesday, Dec. 9 – Wednesday, Dec. 10

10 p.m. – 4 a.m.

Westbound I-10 at 99th Avenue will be restricted to one lane overnight on Tuesday, Dec. 9 from 10 p.m. until 4 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10. On- and off-ramps and business access will remain open.

99th Avenue

Thursday, Dec. 11 - Friday, Dec. 12

9 p.m. – 4 a.m.

99th Avenue underneath I-10 will be closed for bridge work overnight on Thursday, Dec.11 from 9 p.m. until 4 a.m. Friday, Dec. 12. On- and off-ramps and business access will remain open. Motorists are encouraged to use adjacent I-10 interchanges. View Map

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Thursday, Dec. 11 - Friday, Dec. 12

10 p.m. - 4 a.m.

Eastbound I-10 at 99th Avenue will be restricted to one lane overnight on Thursday, Dec. 11 from 10 p.m. until 4 a.m. Friday, Dec. 12. On- and off-ramps and business access will remain open.

Work Zone Safety

Safety is a vital part of the ongoing construction process. It is important to plan ahead for restrictions and to slow down in the work zone. Drivers and pedestrians are responsible for staying alert and obeying traffic laws; including signage, traffic barricades and flaggers within construction work zones. Most importantly: *slow down in the work zones*. The speed limit on I-10 has been reduced to 55 mph in work zones for the project duration. The reduced speed limits are intended to protect drivers, passengers and workers in the work zone. Please click here for additional safety tips.

An audio podcast outlining this week's I-10 Traffic Alert can be downloaded from the ADOT Web site.

- For general information about I-10 improvements, contact the I-10 project hotline at 602.288.9919 or ADOT@policydevelopmentgroup.com.
- For information on construction activities, contact Lars Jacoby at 602.712.7176 or LJacoby@azdot.gov.
- For traffic updates across Arizona, visit ADOT's Travel Information Site at www. az511.gov or call 5-1-1

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